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FROM Chief, SR		DATE	12 MAY 1959
SUBJECT REDWOOD/ABHAWKEYE ABHAWKEYE/1		RE: "43-3" — (CHECK 'X' ONE)	
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ACTION REQUIRED Comments on ABHAWKEYE/1's morale and on paragraphs 4 and 5 below.		INDEXING CAN BE JUDGED BY QUALIFIED HQ. DESK ONLY	
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1. set with the wife of ABHAWKEYE/1 on 29 April 1959. She had expressed a desire to meet with her husband's "boss" prior to her deciding whether or not she will join her husband in Germany. It is not exactly clear what she expected to accomplish by this meeting but it was probably prompted by (1) her hope that we would arrange for her employment as a civilian dentist with the U.S. Army in Germany and (2) her interest in finding out what is in store for her husband insofar as his future employment is concerned.

2. It was explained to the wife of ABHAWKEYE/1 that we would not be able to effect her employment but that she would have to explore the possibilities herself after she arrives in Germany, should she decide to go. She was obviously more than a bit disappointed by this but indicated that she appreciated the candor of the statements. She also, at this time, indicated that she does not consider it too important that she establish herself professionally in Germany but, rather, feels that the most important thing is to know what the future holds in store for her husband as far as employment is concerned. She further stated that she considers it absolutely essential that her husband establish firm roots on which they can plan their future—both for their sake and that of their children. She thinks it is absolutely senseless for her husband to go on living a "day to day" existence on Cloud Number 9—an existence to which her husband is seemingly not averse. She characterized him as a happy-go-lucky individual who never thinks of tomorrow while she is a down-to-earth type who faces realities; she said she might even be considered a worry wart. It was explained to her that ABHAWKEYE/1's contract was for a two-year period with a possibility that there may be a two-year extension—the extension being contingent upon a number of factors. Beyond that, there did not appear to be any concrete plans for his future. ABHAWKEYE/1's wife stated that her husband had some drawing talent. A short discussion ensued on the possibility of him going to a school of drafting and design to develop this talent for his future gainful employment. The news of the more or less temporary nature of her husband's work in Germany was quite disturbing to her. It was evident that ABHAWKEYE/1 had never filled in his wife on this aspect.

3. While ABHAWKEYE/1's wife constantly stressed that her husband's happiness is the thing that really counts, it seemed to be apparent that she is not convinced wholeheartedly that she should pull up stakes here and go to Germany. She stated that she is concerned over what might happen to him and made veiled references to his having a nervous breakdown, running off with another woman, the collapse of their marriage, etc. On the other hand, she seems to enjoy placing herself in the role of being some sort of a martyr who would have a disgraceful blot on her professional record if she became a mere housewife during the time she would be in Germany. An attempt was made to dissuade her from thinking that it would be a blot on her record, professionally or otherwise, should she take up the noble art of being a housewife. If nothing else is clear, one thing is and that is that the personal and marital life of ABHAWKEYE/1 and his wife is in pretty sad shape. It seems to be one of those situations where she cannot live with him and cannot live without him. The same attitude probably exists on his part.

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4. The wife of ABHAKKEE/1 was informed that she will have to make the decision as to whether or not she will go to Germany. If she decides in favor of going, we will assist her in every way possible. She is to advise us of her decision. In the meantime, it is requested that you advise us of ABHAKKEE/1's success in locating suitable housing and a firm date when the housing will be available for his family.

5. The information contained in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 is forwarded for your information and, also, for consideration in future plans to utilize ABHAKKEE/1. Obviously, it is not to be passed to him. It seems almost inevitable that we can plan on a series of headaches resulting from being called on to adjudicate family disputes. Perhaps it might be in order to weigh the merits of having ABHAKKEE/1 return to the United States upon the expiration of his present contract. In that event, perhaps we could assist him for a specified period when he could get some vocational training and locate himself in some more permanent form of employment than that in which he is now engaged. This possibility was discussed with ABHAKKEE/1 by [] prior to ABHAKKEE/1's departure to Germany. Your comments are solicited.

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